

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER

INVITES ATTORNEYS TO APPLY

TO SERVE AS

TEMPORARY JUDGES

If you wish to serve as a temporary judge, please read this carefully.

The Placer County Superior Court is adding attorneys to its pool of temporary judges. It encourages you to consider applying.

Temporary judges are used at the discretion of the Presiding Judge when the court needs judicial assistance that it cannot provide using its full-time judicial officers.¹

Temporary judges could be called upon to hear small claims, traffic, family law, and settlement conferences in family law and civil.

To become a temporary judge you must have been admitted to practice as a member of the State Bar of California for at least ten years (or at least five years for an appointment with good cause).²

The conditions for appointment are found in Rule 2.812(b) of the California Rules of Court, and the education and training requirements are found in Rule 2.812(c). The Court can provide additional assistance in obtaining the necessary education and training.³

¹ Rule of Court 2.811(a)

² Rule of Court 2.812(a)

³ Rule of Court 10.740-10.741.

The Court seeks to maximize the potential for a diverse applicant pool. It encourages each and every eligible individual to apply to be a temporary judge regardless of his or her gender, race, ethnicity, disability, religion, sexual orientation, age or other protected class.⁴ Among the qualifications that the Court will consider in the selection process is an applicant's exposure to and experience with diverse populations and issues related to those populations.⁵

If you wish to apply, please contact Yvonne Yoshikawa at 916-408-6186. You may also obtain an application from the court website at www.placer.courts.ca.gov.

⁴ Rule of Court 10.741.

⁵ Id.

TEMPORARY JUDGE PROGRAM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

LINK FOR ALL ONLINE TRAINING: http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/cjer/pro_tem.htm

REQUIREMENTS EVERYONE MUST MEET EVERY THREE YEARS:

1. Review the online Fairness, Demeanor, and Self-Represented litigants materials
2. Attend a 4-hour in-person training session on judicial demeanor
3. Take the online course on judicial ethics

EXTRA REQUIREMENTS BY CALENDAR TYPE:

1. **For Small Claims calendars:**
 - Take all relevant online training courses and review online benchguides
 - Attend the local in-person class on hearing small claims calendars
2. **For Traffic calendars:**
 - Take online training course and review online benchguides
 - Attend the local in-person class on hearing traffic calendars
3. **For Unlawful Detainer calendars:**
 - Take online training course and review online benchguides
 - Attend the local in-person class on hearing unlawful detainer calendars
4. **For Juvenile Dependency and Delinquency calendars:**
 - Have a minimum of 5 years practice experience handling juvenile dependency and/or delinquency cases (must have practice experience in requested case type)
 - Take online training courses and review online benchguides
5. **For Civil Discovery calendars:**
 - Certify you have taken at least 3 CLE units in civil procedure in past 24 months
 - Review the online civil benchguides
 - [Disqualification of Judge](#)
 - [Courtroom Control: Contempt and Sanctions](#)
 - Review Chapter 9 of Proceedings Before Trial by the Rutter Group
6. **For Probate calendars:**
 - Certify you have taken at least 3 CLE units in probate in past 24 months
 - Attend the local in-person class on hearing probate calendars
7. **For Domestic Violence calendars:**
 - Certify you have taken at least 3 CLE units in domestic violence in past 24 months
 - Attend the local in-person class on hearing domestic violence calendars
8. **For Civil Harassment calendars**
 - Certify you have taken at least 3 CLE units in domestic violence in past 24 months
 - Review the online benchguide available on the Judicial Council's website
 - Attend the local in-person class on hearing civil harassment calendars